Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Executive Office of Health and Human Services



Health Planning Council

April 24, 2013



Meeting Agenda

- Overview of Health Planning Council
- Presentation by Freedman Healthcare
- Administrative issues
- Next steps



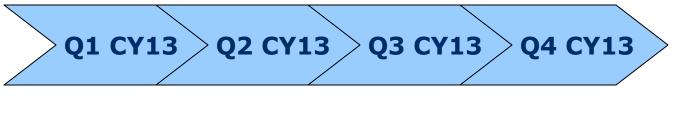
Statutory Charge

- Section 16T in Chapter 6A establishes a Health Planning Council within the Executive Office of Health and Human Services
- The health planning council shall submit a state health plan to the governor and the general court, as required by section 16T of chapter 6A of the General Laws, on or before January 1, 2014
- The state health plan shall identify needs of the commonwealth in health care services, providers, programs and facilities; the resources available to meet those needs; and the priorities for addressing those needs
- The Council shall assemble an advisory committee
- EOHHS with the Council shall conduct at least 5 public hearings on the plan



Statutory Charge

- Inventory: The state health plan shall include the location, distribution and nature of all health care resources in the Commonwealth; the statute specifies certain categories of resources
- Recommendations: The plan shall make recommendations for the appropriate supply and distribution of resources, programs, capacities, technologies and services on a state-wide or regional basis based on an assessment of need for the next 5 years and options for implementing such recommendations
- The Department shall issue guidelines, rules or regulations consistent with the state health plan for making determinations of need
- The Department may prescribe uniform reporting requirements
- The inventory shall be maintained in a form usable by the general public



Est	ablish Council
	Develop Project and Analytic Plan
	Create State Health Plan Hold public hearings
	Establish Advisory Committee



Administrative Issues

- Open meeting law
- Conflict of interest



- Schedule May and June Meetings
- Advisory Committee process